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1. [redacted] Chinese Communists troops were arriving in Linhai (N 28-53, E 121-07). Their discipline was excellent and their uniforms and equipment were in good condition. The troops carried mostly American-type carbines and Soviet submachine guns. Local Communist cadre borrowed bed boards, tables, and benches from Linhai residents but did not say how long the borrowed items would be needed by the troops.<sup>1</sup> 25X1
2. [redacted] a troop train of 21 cars fully loaded with soldiers was standing at the Hangchow Railway Station. One sleeping car was attached to the train and the last four cars of the train carried four heavy artillery pieces, two large trucks, and about ten horses and mules. The soldiers on the train wore grass-yellow cotton-quilted uniforms. Their discipline was excellent; only one soldier from each car got off to buy local produce for the others in his car. The train left Hangchow in the direction of Chinhua (N 29-07, E 119-39). 25X1

1. [redacted] Comment. This is the second report of [redacted] troop movements in Chekiang. [redacted] the arrival of 20,000 troops (a possibly exaggerated figure) in Wenchou. [redacted] The lack of detail of both reports precludes any accurate estimate of the nature of the movements involved. 25X1

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